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MEMORANDUM FOR HONORABLE JOHN A. McCONE  
DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

In connection with the Cuban crisis, a subcommittee of the Executive Committee of the National Security Council was established to develop a program and to take actions to improve U. S. communications capability, particularly in overseas areas. This subcommittee was established by National Security Council Memorandum 201 dated October 26, 1962. The Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration was designated as the chairman.

Attached is a draft National Security Action Memorandum which would establish continuing arrangements to develop and coordinate a world-wide communications system to assure adequate communications capability under any period of emergency. We would appreciate your comments on this draft at your early convenience, but not later than the close of business Thursday, November 29.

We would appreciate your limiting the distribution of this draft to the extent practicable.

Your attention is also called to Executive Order 10995 which would continue in effect.

Elmer B. Staats  
Deputy Director

Attachment